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Statement of Paula Brooks, Franklin County, Ohio Commissioner on today's Supreme Court Ruling, Establishing Marriage as a Fundamental Right for All Citizens of the United States of America

Fundamental rights are just that. These are guaranteed to all United States citizens regardless of our interests, background, or the person we happen to love. Marriage is an institution that holds great importance to the fabric of our society. It allows children stability and families the opportunity to thrive. That is why I am elated with the Supreme Court of the United States recognition of marriage today as a fundamental right. Regardless of your religious beliefs, I hope we can all agree that our laws equally protect every citizen, and marriage is a blessing. Today, let's join together and cherish the Constitution that our ancestors fought so hard to uphold and that we continue to see bind our nation together as the most powerful beacon of democracy on this earth. It is also profound that Ohio figured in the U.S. Supreme Court's resolution of this right. We are ALL America and God bless the United States of America.

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